

Decision No. 23959

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of  
PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY, for  
authority to relocate its freight and  
passenger station in Alhambra, abandon  
house and storage tracks and sell  
property at Alhambra.

APPLICATION NO. 21262

BY THE COMMISSION:

ORDER

**ORIGINAL**

In this proceeding, filed on June 15, 1937, Pacific Electric Railway Company seeks authority to relocate its freight and passenger agency station from the intersection of Main Street and Stoneman Avenue to the intersection of Main Street and Palm Avenue, and to abandon certain tracks, all in the City of Alhambra.

The station property at Main Street and Stoneman Avenue is located in the heart of the business district of Alhambra, is of considerable value for business purposes, and applicant proposes to sell this property for the sum of \$63,750. A complete description of the property is contained in Paragraph III of the application, and is outlined in red on the map (C. E. H. 15435) attached to the application.

Applicant alleges that the station facilities at Main Street and Palm Avenue are more suitable for a freight and passenger station, and that it is located in the industrial district of Alhambra where all of the carload business is handled. No carload business is handled in the vicinity of the present station at Stoneman Avenue. The less than carload freight business

and express business can be taken care of at the Palm Avenue location.

The sale of passenger tickets at the Alhambra Station averaged approximately \$280. per month for the year 1936, and with the exception of the 60-ride commutation and school tickets this transportation can be purchased on the cars. Applicant alleges that a number of inquiries in connection with the passenger operations are by telephone, and these can be handled as readily at the Palm Avenue Station as at the present location.

The City of Alhambra, in its letter dated June 18, 1937, has indicated that it has no objection to the relocation as proposed.

It appears that a public hearing is not necessary herein and that the application is reasonable and should be granted, subject to certain conditions,

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- I. Pacific Electric Railway Company is hereby authorized to relocate its freight and passenger agency station from the intersection of Main Street and Stoneman Avenue to the intersection of Main Street and Palm Avenue, Alhambra, and to abandon the house and storage tracks shown in yellow on map C.E.H. 15435, attached to the application.
- II. Applicant is hereby authorized to sell its station property described in Paragraph III of the application and outlined in red on the above described map, subject to the following conditions:
  - (a) Applicant shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, notify this Commission, in writing, of the completion of the property transfer herein authorized, and of its compliance with the conditions hereof.

(b) The authorization herein granted shall not be construed as the determination of the value of the property for any purpose other than the transfer herein authorized.

All of the above is subject to the following conditions:

1. Applicant shall give the public at least ten (10) days' notice of the change in facilities authorized herein by posting notice in a conspicuous place at each of said stations.
2. The authorization herein granted shall lapse and become void if not exercised within one (1) year from the date hereof, unless further time is granted by subsequent order.
3. The Commission reserves the right to make such further orders in this matter as to it may seem right and proper, and to revoke its permission if, in its judgment, public convenience and necessity demand such action.

The authorization herein granted shall become effective on the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July,

1937.

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*Robert ...*

COMMISSIONERS